PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MICHELE BACHMANN

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, September 26, 2008

Mrs. BACHMANN. Madam Speaker, on September 23, 2008, I was unexpectedly detained and could not vote on the Motion to Recommit H.R. 5244, the Credit Cardholders' Bill of Rights Act (roll No. 622). Had I been present I would have voted "aye."

TRIBUTE TO THE CITY OF ROSE-VILLE, MICHIGAN, ON THE OCCA-SION OF ITS 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF ITS INCORPORATION AS A CITY

HON. SANDER M. LEVIN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, September 26, 2008

Mr. LEVIN. Madam Speaker, after half a century of growth and change, Roseville remains a warm, family-oriented community. Roseville has a broad spectrum of residents who have lived here their whole lives and are the history of this city. They have a vibrant school district, a healthy business district, dedicated local elected officials, and active community volunteers.

Roseville has a wonderful history. The roots of this farming community go back to the days before Michigan gained statehood in 1837. A Congressional appropriations in 1828 provided funds for the construction of a military road connecting Fort Detroit and Fort Gratiot (now Port Huron). The completion of the Gratiot turnpike in 1831 brought settlers of Belgian, English, French, German and Irish descent. Orange Township encompassed the present cities of Eastpointe, Fraser, Roseville, St. Clair Shores, and part of Warren.

In 1836, William Rose was appointed the areas first postmaster. He established a permanent office in 1840, called the Roseville Post Office, after his father Denison Rose, a hero of the War of 1812.

In 1846, a wooden plank toll road (now known as Gratiot Avenue or M-3) was constructed, connecting the community with Detroit and Mount Clemens. One of the tollgates was located at Gratiot Avenue and Utica Road, the intersection known as "The Junction." Along with the tollgate were a toll house, general store, wagon and blacksmith shop, and the Junction Hotel, built in 1836. Roseville was also home to the state's first commercial airport, the Roseville Airport. It was also known as Packard Field and Hartung Airport. The airport originally set on the land now comprising Eastgate Shopping Center, the first shopping center of its kind in Michigan.

The City of Roseville is now a community of nearly 48,000. While the city is almost fully developed, a proactive approach to attracting and retaining businesses over the years has led to reinvestment and expansion of existing properties. Retail is a main attraction with over 60 miscellaneous stores available and over 96 restaurants. From the recreation programs for the very young, to the newly renovated community center for senior citizens, Roseville continues to provide outstanding opportunities

for its residents as well as the business community.

As the City of Roseville celebrates this important occasion, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating its citizens as they celebrate the past and focus on the future.

IN HONOR OF DR. CLARA YU

HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 26, 2008

Mr. FARR. Madam Speaker, it is with bittersweet emotions that I rise today to thank Dr. Clara Yu on her retirement as President of the Monterey Institute for International Studies.

Clara arrived on the Monterey Peninsula in 2005 and was inaugurated in January 2006 as the 12th president of MIIS, which had become affiliated with Middlebury College the year before. She literally hit the ground running and since that time, her persuasive personality and keen leadership skills helped MIIS reestablish itself both financially and academically.

At the time of her investiture, Middlebury President Ron Liebowitz explained to a rapt Monterey audience why he lured Dr. Yu out of retirement to take the helm at MIIS—because she had the leadership qualities and academic excellence to succeed. Clara was born in China and educated in Taiwan and the United States. In 1978 she received a Ph.D. in Comparative Literature from the University of Illinois. She taught at Dartmouth College and the University of Maryland before starting an artificial intelligence consulting firm. During her decade at Middlebury as Vice President for Languages, she designed the prototype for its internationally acclaimed International Studies Major

During her too brief tenure at the Institute, Dr. Yu led innovative programs such as the Academic Excellence Initiative and the innovations incubator program that strengthened and revitalized the school. She successfully guided the strategic planning process that completed the affiliation between MIIS and Middlebury that will ensure the academic excellence of MIIS for future generations. In her honor, MIIS has established the Clara Yu Fund for Innovation to provide seed funding for programs with the potential to continue to transform MIIS to meet the challenges of the 21st Century.

Madam Speaker, Dr. Yu's distinguished career includes many academic accomplishments and accolades, but I hope none as heartfelt as the sincere gratitude we express today to Clara for "a life well lived". Thank you for being my friend.

HONORING CONGRESSMAN RAY
LAHOOD FOR HIS DISTINGUISHED
SERVICE REPRESENTING THE
PEOPLE OF ILLINOIS

HON. DANIEL LIPINSKI

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 26, 2008

Mr. LIPINSKI. Madam Speaker, I would like to take a moment to recognize a distinguished Member of Congress from the Illinois Delegation, Congressman RAY LaHOOD. RAY is a

friend and a true example of leadership in public service.

RAY has served his country and his community in many ways throughout his lifetime. He was a dedicated teacher in both Catholic and public schools and he served as the Director of Youth Services in Rockford, Illinois. RAY was elected to the Illinois State House of Representatives in 1982 and then worked for House Republican Leader Robert Michel as District Administrative Assistant and, for four years, as Chief of Staff. Upon Rep. Michel's retirement, RAY was elected to the 104th Congress in 1994 where he has served the people of the 18th District for seven terms.

Here in the House, RAY is known for his efforts to establish a higher level of civility, decorum, and bipartisanship. His knowledge of congressional rules and procedures and his fair-handedness enabled him to be called upon many times to chair the House during proceedings on contentious issues including the impeachment debate in 1998.

RAY has also served his district with great bipartisanship and integrity, including working diligently on the creation of the Lincoln Presidential Library and supporting the Lincoln Bicentennial Commission in celebration of the 200th Anniversary of Abraham Lincoln to be held in 2009.

It has been an honor and privilege to serve with Congressman RAY LaHOOD in the House of Representatives. We will miss his presence, especially in the Illinois delegation. I extend my heartfelt congratulations and best wishes to RAY and his wife Kathy as they embark on new beginnings and future endeavors, especially The Ray and Kathy LaHood Center for Cerebral Palsy.

TRIBUTE TO DERRICK MOYO

HON. HOWARD L. BERMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, September 26, 2008

Mr. BERMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the life and career of Derrick Moyo, who served lately as the Deputy Chief of Mission at the Embassy of South Africa here in Washington, DC.

Born Diederrick Moyo in Soweto on September 13, 1962, Derrick passed away just 3 days shy of his 46th birthday on September 10th of this year. His early passing has deprived not only the Republic of South Africa, but the United States and the rest of the world, as well, of his passion for democracy and peace.

He is survived by his parents Josiah and Doreen Moyo, his siblings Mary and Ernest and, his two children, Itumeleng and Tshiamo. His family has already had to endure another early loss to their family, with the tragic passing of his wife Mingy several years ago.

An avid scholar with a thirst for knowledge, Derrick was awarded a bachelor of social science degree by the University of Cape Town with majors in social anthropology, industrial sociology and international politics. Additionally he undertook specialized courses in diplomacy, Foreign Service and management, studying at renowned institutions including the Georgetown University School of Foreign Service, Howard University, the Foreign Service Institute in New Delhi and the Irish Institute of Public Management.